

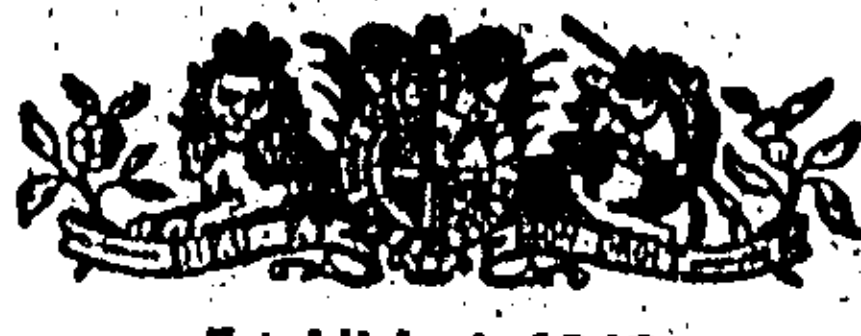
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## Ferryboat Overtums: 94 Killed

Yugoslavia Disaster

Belgrade, Nov. 16. A crowded ferryboat broke loose from its cables on the River Sava yesterday, overturned and drowned 94 persons in one of Yugoslavia's worst tragedies in recent years.

As reported by the official news agency, Tanjug, today the accident occurred near the village of Grasje where the river divides the Republic of Bosnia and Croatia.

The official account said Hasin Klise, Secretary of the local People's Committee in the village, insisted, upon moving the ferry across the river despite the fear and objection that the boat was overloaded.

M. Klise was one of the two people hauled out of the water, but he later died from his injuries.

So far, according to Tanjug, the bodies of 17 of the 94 victims have been recovered.

Tanjug said that a heavy wind contributed to the difficulty of the crossing.

The report said that M. Klise insisted upon the ferry crossing because he wanted to take his sick wife to a hospital.—Associated Press.

## Her Recipe For Longevity

London, Nov. 16. A good appetite is the main thing you need if you want to live to be 100, says Mrs. Amelia East, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday.

"The secret lies in eating a good meal," she said.

Mrs. East lives at a rest home here with 17 other old people, the youngest of whom is 76.

Her companions presented her with a huge,iced birthday cake with candles on it.—Reuter.

Thanks Very Much Sydney, Nov. 16. Burglars who broke into the home of a company director John Walton left a note thanking his wife for food and wine.

The note read: "Dear Miss Walton, for cake, beer and salmon was nice but we couldn't find any milk for the tea so we had some champagne instead. Thank you."—Reuter.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### A Gesture To Peking

MR. Dean Acheson the United States Secretary of State, has given an enticing "come and play ball" sign to the Peking delegation now on its way to New York by his assurances that not only has the United States no designs on the Manchurian border, but that she is willing to see that Chinese Communist interests in that area are fully protected. Peking would be guilty of an ungracious gesture if it refused to accept these assurances, especially as they have been advanced spontaneously. Common ground for settling the new dispute in North Korea by negotiation can easily be found if the Peking government is prepared to make some effort. The United Nations Organisation has no quarrel with Communist China except that which the Peking regime willfully picks, as, for example, by military intervention in Korea. The Chinese Communists may quite honestly have considered United Nations forces on Manchurian frontiers a menace, but fears on this score can quickly be allayed if the Peking delegation frankly approaches the Security Council and requests

## Water Shortage Here Again

WE have been informed that the water supply situation in the Colony is serious and that it will become dangerous unless there is greater restraint in public consumption and unless every household avoids waste of any description. We have no hesitation in commending to the public an appeal for conservation of water by self-restricted use and the avoidance of waste. At the same time, while Government is entitled to expect the community to co-operate and to do its utmost to use less water and to stop running and leaking taps, the public is entitled to know whether the Author-

# US Troops Sight Manchurian Mountains

## DIVISIONAL COMMANDER IN CONFIDENT MOOD

Tokyo, Nov. 17.

American troops chased the retreating Communists to within sight of Manchurian mountains on the northeastern front today while the South Korean forces on the northwestern front rolled up gains of as much as four miles.

Major General David G. Barr, Commander of the United States Seventh Division predicted that his troops would crack the crust of Communist resistance today and "go all the way to the border without too much trouble."

The doughboys of the 25th Division's 17th Regiment were so close to the retreating enemy that they found camp fires still burning.

Gains of as much as four miles were reported by the South Korean troops north of the Kunuri-Tokchon highway, but at the same time the US Second and 25th Divisions encountered increased enemy resistance behind UN lines, a Ninth Corps spokesman said today.

The ROK Seventh Division was between two and four miles north of Sinmim-ni and Wawon, with one regiment converging on Tamni, about seven miles north of the highway.

The ROK Eighth Division secured Tokchon and the vicinity and continued to press forward against a high ground to its north.

The ROK Sixth Division holding the centre of the highway line was advancing on Wobon—United Press.

**SPOTTY RESISTANCE** Seoul, Nov. 17. Allied troops scratched out gains up to five miles against spotty Red resistance in a general advance along the sleet struck fighting front in North Korea on Thursday.

The sleet made the going rough for the foot soldiers, and cut down the around the clock bombing of Red bases and supply centres. Temperatures rose from previous near zero levels, however.

To the northeast, the US Seventh Infantry Division sent one spearhead up the east bank of the Fusan reservoir and another—the US 17th Re-

giment—five miles North to the 41st parallel against Red tanks, artillery and infantry. The advance put the 17th only 20 miles South of the Manchurian border on the road to Kapsan.

Red troops were reported pulling back for a stand at Kapsan, five miles North of the American positions.

At the extreme northeast of the Allied line, the Korean Republic's Capital Division threw back a North Korean Red assault on its right flank.

Reds had counter-attacked the Capital Division, north of Myerchong for two days, forcing some withdrawals.

When the Communists struck yesterday for a third counter-attack, the Republican forces leaped from their foxholes and drove the Reds back two miles.

A US 10th Corps spokesman said the Red pressure on the northeastern 15 miles front was "greatly eased."

**AIR ACTION** In yesterday's air action, a few bombers and fighters of the US Fifth Air Force broke through the murky overcast and bombed three towns north of

the Chongchon beachhead front in the northwest.

Behind the lines, 200 Red guerrillas surrendered to the US Third Division near Wonsan on the east coast.

The big port of Sungnam, north of Wonsan, was opened to shipping, taking much of the pressure off the smaller port of Wonsan.

A new British Commonwealth Brigade, the 29th, was being assembled on the west to bolster Allied front line forces.

US British and Turkish troops cleared highway and rail lines for shipment of more winter clothing to the troops, at the front.

Army authorities said the front-line forces should be fully equipped with winter clothing by the end of this week. Earlier deliveries were prevented, they said, by transportation difficulties and by the fact that American forces outran their supply lines.

**CASUALTY FIGURES** (Army officers in Washington yesterday placed American casualties in the Korean war at 28,881 on November 10. Of the total 4,708 were dead and 19,740 were non-fatally wounded. The rest were reported missing in action.)

(It was announced in London that British war casualties to date were 51 killed, 158 wounded and five missing. About 10,000 British troops are engaged, Defence Minister Emmanuel Shinwell told the House of Commons.)

The Red China radio said North Korean troops "fighting shoulder to shoulder" with Chinese volunteers killed or wounded 8,800 United Nations troops between October 25 and November 8.

Intelligence officers and General Douglas MacArthur's Tokyo headquarters said they were unable to confirm the Communist figures.—Associated Press.

## Confessions Of Harold Gold

New York, Nov. 16. Harry Gold, confessed go-between for Dr. Klaus Fuchs and Soviet spies, testified today that Abraham Brothman, New York Chemical engineer, gave him complete plans for manufacture of Buna-S synthetic rubber in April, 1942.

Gold, testifying for the second day in the trial of Brothman, said he handed them over to Soviet agents.

Gold said Brothman gave him 25 to 30 blueprints covering the entire Buna-S process and at least 200 typewritten pages of written description on the process.

Gold is not a defendant in this case.

He pleaded guilty on July 20 to being a go-between for Dr. Fuchs, convicted British atom spy, and Soviet agents, and will be sentenced on December 7 in Philadelphia on that charge.

Yesterday, Gold testified that his superior in the spy ring was "Sammy" or "Sam" Gold, the Acting Trading Corporation, the Soviet intelligence agency in the United States.—Associated Press.

## Not To Resign



## Acheson To Keep His Post

Washington, Nov. 16.

President Truman said today that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, will remain in his post.

Under questioning at a news conference, Mr. Truman told correspondents that they might as well stop speculating as to whether Mr. Acheson is going to resign.

He said Mr. Acheson is remaining in his job and emphasized that Mr. Acheson is going to be Secretary of State for a long period.

Mr. Truman announced that he will not call Congress into session before the announced date of November 27, but warned that he will continue to press for enactment of the "fair deal" programme despite the Republican gain in Congress.

**TO PRESS PROGRAMME** He said that at the short session starting on November 27 he would seek a rent control extension, and statehood for Hawaii and Alaska and also necessary appropriations and taxes. But in the new Congress in January he made clear he will appeal for his entire "fair deal" programme.

He said he would press for it as long as he is President.

Some critics of such ideas as national health insurance and the Brannan Farm Subsidy Plan have suggested Mr. Truman should accept the election returns as an expression from the people against these proposals.

Reporters told him there had been talk that he would run for re-election in 1952, but Mr. Truman said he was not ready to comment on that subject.—Associated Press.

## BOMBERS COLLIDE

13 Airmen Killed

Sells, Arizona, Nov. 16. Two giant Air Force four-engined bombers collided and crashed today during high altitude refuelling operations over the Papago Indian reservation and first reports said 13 airmen were killed.

Arizona highway patrolmen dispatched to the scene said that if it were so there is no reason why the use of mere words (which could inspire fear) should not constitute an assault. It is now settled law that they cannot, though at one time that also was regarded as doubtful. No authority in which that subject is discussed has been quoted to us but it is easy to suggest quite a different basis for this distinction—that of expediency.

The line had to be drawn somewhere and mere words are capable of being used in so many different ways, with such a multitude of shades of meaning and tone that the courts would have been in continual difficulty if words alone could constitute assault.

If "factual present ability" is insisted on as a test, then though it is an assault to point a loaded firearm at a person, it is not so if the ammunition is defective or if the firearm itself has defective mechanism, even though these facts are unknown to the assailant. There are distinctions which would have little appeal to the unfortunate victim. It is suggested that on the opposite view an assault may be carried out with an imitation gun or some object in the pocket. Provided the circumstances are

# Using Unloaded Gun Is Assault Says Court

## IMPORTANT LOCAL DECISION

An important point of law which will have far reaching repercussions in criminal proceedings in Hongkong against thugs who intimidate their victims with revolvers was settled in the Supreme Court this morning.

The Full Court, comprising Mr Justice Williams, Mr Justice Gould and Mr Justice Scholes, ruled that an assault was committed if a robber pointed a gun, which he knew to be unloaded, at another, who did not know it was unloaded, and so near that if it went off it might cause injury.

The Court's ruling arose out of a case in which two men were found guilty of assault with intent to rob. Sentence at the time of conviction was postponed until the Court gave its ruling on this point of law.

At the trial Mr A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, prosecuting, said the assault in the case was in the pointing of an unloaded firearm at a man and submitted that once this point of law was settled, the ingredient of alarm being essential.

From this action it was inferred that the firearm was to be used with the intention of perpetrating a robbery.

Mr Lonsdale said a decision was necessary on this question of whether the pointing of an unloaded revolver at a person constituted assault because of the prevalence in the Colony of cases where firearms both loaded and unloaded had been used in robberies.

Giving its verdict the Full Court said the question was one of considerable importance in Hongkong where unfortunately robberies carried out by the use of firearms of all sorts were only too frequently.

**AN ASSAULT IN LAW** It was a subject, however, on which there had been comparatively few legal decisions particularly in English Courts during the last ninety years.

It was undoubtedly an assault in law to threaten a man at close range with a firearm which was loaded.

After weighing the submissions made to them by Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, and Mr A. Brook Bernacchi who appeared on assignment by the Crown to argue the point of law on behalf of the accused, their Lordships said that even if they were inclined to do so it would be hardly open to them to disregard opinions of such eminence quoted to them. They were not inclined to do so.

Their Lordships' judgment then went on: "It seems quite wrong, in examining the subject of assault, to eliminate from consideration the matter of the state of mind of the person threatened. When it is remembered that the assault can be complete without touching that person in any way, it is surely not the state of fear of apprehension into which he is thrown which is that basis of the damages which he may claim of the person who has inflicted on the other."

"The requirement that there should be 'present ability' to self supports this, as its absence would in the ordinary way be manifest, and its away with apprehension. Once it is conceded that the essence of the matter is the effect upon the intended victim, then there is a course no difference between 'actual' and 'apparent' present ability to carry out the threat."

**COUNSEL'S POINT** In submitting that the fear or apprehension of the person threatened was not the essence of the matter Mr Bernacchi for the accused made the point that if it were so there is no reason why the use of mere words (which could inspire fear) should not constitute an assault. It is now settled law that they cannot, though at one time that also was regarded as doubtful. No authority in which that subject is discussed has been quoted to us but it is easy to suggest quite a different basis for this distinction—that of expediency.

The line had to be drawn somewhere and mere words are capable of being used in so many different ways, with such a multitude of shades of meaning and tone that the courts would have been in continual difficulty if words alone could constitute assault.

If "factual present ability" is insisted on as a test, then though it is an assault to point a loaded firearm at a person, it is not so if the ammunition is defective or if the firearm itself has defective mechanism, even though these facts are unknown to the assailant. There are distinctions which would have little appeal to the unfortunate victim. It is suggested that on the opposite view an assault may be carried out with an imitation gun or some object in the pocket. Provided the circumstances are

such as to induce a reasonable belief that real weapon is being used, we consider that proposition is correct and we do not see why it should not be so.

"For the reasons above stated we think it right to accept the

view of the law of assault expressed in Reg. v St George and answer the question reserved for our consideration in the affirmative. It follows that the convictions of the prisoners are affirmed."

## Their Last Boundary Stronghold Endangered

FRENCH IN TROUBLE NEAR MONCAY

(From John Shaw)

With the Foreign Legion on the Chinese Frontier, Nov. 16.

Vietminh Communist forces are gathering in the mountains near Moncay in the northeast of Indo-China, threatening to drive French and native troops from their last stronghold along the Caolong River boundary with China.

The Fort of Thanhpou overlooking the river sixteen miles northwest of Moncay has been abandoned after a six day siege. Attacks on Socchu six miles nearer the neighbouring outpost of Thanhmai have so far been repelled.

Rebels who shelter by day in Red China have crossed the outskirts of Moncay on four nights recently and fired mortars and machineguns into the town.

Those infiltrating have blown a hole in the police post on the French end of the International Bridge to China.

I counted 48 mortar bursts in one hour. They caused little damage and few casualties. But many of the 8,000 inhabitants are fleeing. By Chinese sailing junks and motorboats to ports within the more strongly held Tonkin.

**DEFENDERS CONFIDENT** The Navy has evacuated nearly 1,000 women and children—families of native officials working for the Foreign Legion.

The French Foreign Legion in the citadel of Wallaidien—a military village of green-washed bungalows and barracks on the fringe of Moncay—is confident that it can hold out although the main road westward is frequently mined and bridges blown. Only an armed convoy can pass with safety. Supplies come mostly by air and sea.

They have support from the locally raised army of Mong Naïd Eaman, called "Umbrella Battalion", which was originally

a resistant group against the Japanese. Their name came from the parasols they carried to keep their weapons and ammunition dry.

The name stayed but the commanders now prefer to interpret it as a symbol of protection they give to the people.

It was a militant band of 60 of these native soldiers who were besieged in small Beau Geste, the little fort of Thanhpou and cut off by continuous day and night attacks by 1,200 Vietnamese.

Hundreds of mortar bombs fell in and around the white-washed fortress. In the 30 foot high square tower the garrison fired back through narrow rifle slits. It claimed 300 killed.

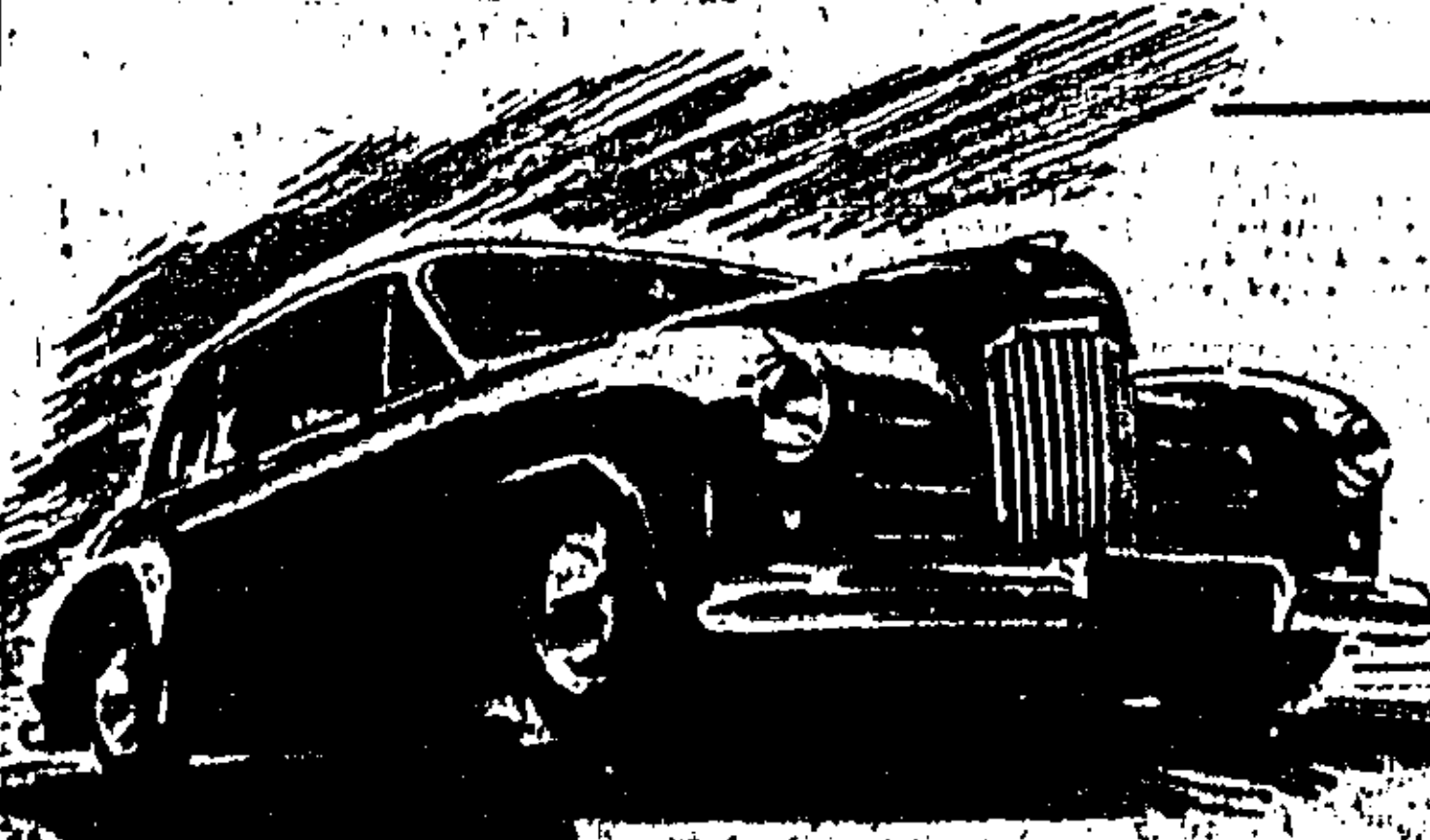
**AMERICAN WEAPONS** One of the enemy crawled up with fire-brands in the darkness and burnt down a double row of bamboo palisades. Brisking on the outside with hedgehog-like spikes one climbed the six feet of the inner protection wall and was killed by a grenade. He tumbled into a yard with an American Tommy gun.

Many of the rebels' weapons came originally from America. They were part of the aid planed to the Chinese Nationalists, were captured by the Communists and now handed to Ho Chi Minh troops.

Gradually the natives used up their ammunition. Little food was left.

The harbour-master of the tiny port slipped away in a sampans on the fourth night to fetch help from Moncay. (Continued on Page 12 Col. 5)

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# SOUNDING BOARD FOR DISUNITY

## Mr Churchill Accuses Mr Bevin Of Sabotage In Europe Council Of Europe Assembly Meeting Again Tomorrow

London, Nov. 16.

The Council of Europe, which was conceived as a way to European unity, still may be. But today it has become a sounding board for Europe's disunity on many issues, including defence.

The Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe convenes at Strasbourg, Alsace, on Saturday to complete its 1950 sitting which was divided into two parts this year. The word "consultative" is the key to problems which beset the Assembly.

It can only talk and recommend to European member governments. And to date governments have been inclined to turn a deaf ear to the Assembly's recommendations.

One of the key council debates is over defence. Initially, the assembly was prohibited from considering defence matters, but today members say that to ignore defence problems is to make the assembly a useless organisation far removed from reality.

The Council of Europe is divided into two parts—Committee of Ministers and Consultative Assembly.

The Committee of Ministers is composed of one representative of each of the 15 member countries. Normally it is the foreign minister. On all important matters each nation has the veto in the committee, just as the Big Five nations have the veto in the Security Council.

In the Committee of Ministers, however, even Luxembourg has the veto. The Committee considers the Assembly's recommendations and decides whether to recommend action by member governments. Even the ministers' recommendations are not binding on their governments.

### ACTION OR VETO

The Assembly is a deliberative organ of the council. After discussion at its annual meetings, its recommendations are passed on to the Committee of Ministers for action or veto. The assembly's membership is on a proportional representation basis.

Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany are allowed 18 representatives each in the assembly. Turkey has eight, Sweden, Greece, Belgium and the Netherlands have six each, Norway, Denmark and Ireland have four each, Iceland, Saar and Luxembourg three each. West Germany and Saar are associate members. Assembly representatives are appointed by member governments in such manner as the

government of each member shall decide. The British delegation, for example, is selected from Parliament with both Labour and Conservative Opposition members on it. This means each government's assembly delegation in general is a cross section of that government's parliament with all the differences that exist between government and opposition parliamentary members added to national differences between countries.

The assembly's Strasbourg meeting place, La Maison de l'Europe cost about \$1,000,000.

### "ARCH SABOTEUR"

In a debate in the House of Commons last Monday, Mr Churchill interrupted the British Foreign Minister, Mr Ernest Bevin, to blame him for Britain's reluctance to go far toward European unity. Pointing a finger accusingly at Mr Bevin, Mr Churchill charged: "You are the arch saboteur."

It is against such strong feelings and even stronger prejudices and nationalistic instincts that the Council of Europe struggles for unity.—United Press.

## Dangerous 10 Years Ahead

Boston, Nov. 16. Some 800,000,000 people in Russia, China and the Balkan nations under Communist rule will present a tremendous challenge in the next decade, according to Mr Harold Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania. Stassen said on Wednesday night those people are "living under the dictatorial approach, which will make the next ten years a period of 'extreme tension and perhaps tragic war.'"

### U.S. KOREAN WAR CASUALTIES

Washington, Nov. 16. The Defence Department said on Thursday that 28,881 American casualties had been officially reported in the Korean war up to November 10.

This included 4,293 killed in action, 19,740 wounded and 4,847 missing in action.—United Press.

## Comet Going Into Service

London, Nov. 16. Britain hopes to put her record breaking Comet jet airliner into service on Commonwealth air routes by next October, Sir Miles Thomas, Chairman of the British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC) said at a lunch here today.

The proposed passenger service would put B.O.A.C. ahead of its competitors, he added. The Comet has a cruising speed of about 800 kilometres an hour.

Sir Miles said it was planned to open the first passenger service from London through Rome, Cairo and Karachi to Calcutta.—Reuter.

## TO INQUIRE INTO SOVIET PRISONERS

Lake Success, Nov. 16.

It was learned today that the Western powers might request the United Nations General Assembly to appoint a special investigation commission to determine the fate of more than 700,000 prisoners believed to be in Soviet camps.

A hint to that effect was given by Mrs Franklin Roosevelt during procedural discussion in the Social Committee of the Assembly.

Arguing against postponement for a few weeks of the debate on the joint British-Australian complaint against the Soviet Union on the latter's alleged failure to repatriate former German, Japanese and other war prisoners, Mrs Roosevelt said such a commission might be suggested by one of the sponsoring delegations.

Later, Western sources conceded there was a plan to that effect. They admitted it was unlikely Russia would allow the United Nations to conduct investigations on Soviet territory, but said the Commission could achieve much by gathering information available outside the Iron Curtain.—United Press.

## Fascist Bomb Plot In Rome

Rome, Nov. 16.

Two bombs exploded outside the headquarters of the Italian Republican and right-wing Socialist parties here today in what was regarded as a plot by the neo-Fascists. There were no casualties.

The bombs exploded almost simultaneously as leaders and officials of the two parties were going in and out of their headquarters, about 20 blocks apart. The bombings occurred at a time when the Government is demanding suppression of the neo-Fascist movement which has been carrying on a series of violent demonstrations and anti-Government press campaigns. Interior Minister Mario Scelba and police chiefs throughout the country warned neo-Fascist leaders to cease all activities which might provoke disturbances. In Rome police discovered a 2.2 pound dynamite charge with its fuse already burning.—United Press.

## BISHOPS FEEL DISMAYED

Washington, Nov. 16.

The Roman Catholic Bishops of the United States have expressed dismay over "the apathy of Christian Nations and the fullness of their feeble protest" against the persecution of Catholics in the Iron Curtain countries. The bishops, holding their annual general meeting here, adopted a resolution deploring the persecution which they said followed a pattern of "stark, fear-planned starvation, and the displacement and massacre of millions of innocent people."

## Their Majesties Interested In Reconstruction Work



The King and Queen recently paid a visit to Lansbury to watch the work in progress on the Poplar reconstruction area which is to form the "Live Architecture" exhibition at the Festival of Britain next year. Here they are seen talking to some children at the Roman Catholic secondary school site.

## Farouk Denounces A Treaty

Cairo, Nov. 16.

King Farouk told the Egyptian Parliament today that his Government was demanding the "total and immediate" evacuation of British troops and the unity of Egypt and the Sudan under the Egyptian Crown.

The King, opening the new Parliamentary session in Cairo's domed Parliament, declared that his Wafdist Government now considered that the 20-year-old Anglo-Egyptian treaty of 1936 is no longer an "equitable basis for relations" and that it would "persistently and unhesitatingly continue its efforts to realise national aspirations."

King Farouk was making his first public appearance for months and had driven from the Royal Palace in a heavily escorted crimson Rolls Royce through crowded streets lined by soldiers with fixed bayonets. The Liberal constitutional leader, Hussain Heykal Pasha, who was deprived of the presidency of the Senate (Upper House) by Royal decree last summer, did not attend. Neither did the principal Opposition leader, Ismail Abdul Taday Pasha, a former Prime Minister.

The speech was read by Mustapha el Nahas Pasha, the Prime Minister. In it King Farouk declared, "My Government considers that the treaty has ceased to be a suitable basis for Anglo-Egyptian relations. It has therefore become inevitable to decide upon its cancellation and arrive at new clauses based on other principles likely to meet with your approval, namely, total and immediate evacuation and the unity of Egypt and the Sudan under Egyptian Crown."

### NATIONAL ASPIRATIONS

"My Government proclaims that it will never depart from these fundamental principles. It is profoundly convinced that the British recognition of these principles would be the surest guarantee of the maintenance of peace and security throughout the Middle East. 'Come what may my Government will persistently and unhesitatingly continue its efforts to realise national aspirations.'"



Max Baer proved that he really is "Strong Max" at West Berlin's Mariendorf arena when he held two volleys of a combined 50 hp together with the strength of his arms, and then gave the same performance with two volleys of a combined 100 hp. But his victory over the 500 lb. prize was not the only one.

## Churchill Warning On Europe

London, Nov. 16.

Mr Winston Churchill warned Britain and her allies today against becoming too much pinned down in China or its approaches "at a time when the danger in Europe undoubtedly should occupy all our minds."

He said this after the Defence Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell had given the House of Commons a review of the situation in Korea.

Mr Shinwell replied that he thought that was the sense of a statement he had already made. In this he said Britain was keeping in close touch with the Commonwealth, the United States and other friendly governments on the Korean situation, he added.

The aim was to end the war as soon as possible and establish a unified and democratic Korea.

Mr Shinwell said that reports of the presence of Chinese troops in Korea in strength have raised issues of international importance and these were before the Security Council—the proper body for such questions.

British casualties in Korea so far were 51 killed, 158 wounded and five missing, he said.—Reuter.

## STORMS BATTER N. AMERICA

Chicago, Nov. 16.

Two storms battered North America today. One hit the Pacific coast on a 1,100-mile front with wind up to 60 miles per hour; the other brought snow, high winds and a cold wave to the Mid-West.

The Pacific storm slugged the coast from Juneau, Alaska, to San Francisco. Rivers in Oregon rose swiftly as heavy rains fell with more than four inches, drenching North Bend, Oregon. Full gale warnings flew from south-east Alaska to Tatooche, Washington, and storm warnings were hoisted as far south as San Francisco.

The Mid-Western storm, which was centred in Wisconsin, spread snow over the upper Mississippi valley. Thunder showers hit a vast area from Arkansas to the Great Lakes. Storm warnings were displayed on Lake Michigan. Highways were icy and travel hazardous.—United Press.

## WELLES OPPOSES RECOGNITION

Los Angeles, Nov. 16.

The former Under-Secretary of State, Mr Sumner Welles, said on Wednesday the United States should oppose recognition of the Communist regime in China.

He said: "Not only has the present China regime been guilty of aggression in China, but there is much indication that their present government was not brought to power by the Chinese."—United Press.

### EXPANSION SCHEMES

He promised intensified modernisation of the Egyptian armed forces, free medical insurance for workers and further agricultural expansion including the building of four big reservoirs and dams on the River Nile and the completion of the Aswan dam hydro-electric scheme.

King Farouk announced more free education, the creation of a fourth university in Cairo and of a medical faculty at Tamtah, Lower Egypt, and

a strengthening of Egyptian currency cover.

"My Government will shortly enter into negotiations with the British Government for the conclusion of a permanent or long-term agreement which will safeguard the rights of the country regarding its Sterling credits," he added.

The Anglo-Egyptian Treaty of 1936, under which Britain undertook to defend the Suez Canal zone and jointly administer the Sudan, has proved a constant source of friction between the two countries.—Reuter.

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## RICH OPERA SEASON IN LONDON

Heinz Tietjen, Artistic Director of the State Opera, British Zone of Germany, was responsible for the new production of "The Flying Dutchman" with which the resident company at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, opened its winter season.

Other outside help came from Josef Metternich, dramatic baritone also from Berlin, who was first of a number of guest artists engaged to appear during the season. "Fidelio", "Tosca", "Rosenkavalier" and "The Magic Flute" are among operas due for early presentation. Sadler's Wells Opera Company has added Wolf-Ferrari's "School for Fathers" to its repertoire. For this English version, by Edward J. Dent, of the opera based on Goldoni's comedy, the original scene in a roof garden in Venice is replaced by a back garden near London's St. Paul's Cathedral, and the middle of the 18th century (nearer to the period of the Goldoni play) from the year 1800 of the original Wolf-Ferrari version.

Other new productions at Sadler's Wells are to include "The Barber of Seville", "Don Carlos"—a special version by Norman Tucker in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Verdi's death, to be staged in January—and the first performance in Britain of Janacek's "Katya Kabanova", to be presented in the Spring.

**RARELY PERFORMED**  
Meanwhile, the London Opera Club continues its policy of presenting works rarely performed in Britain, and has recently given excellent productions of Milhaud's "Le Pauvre Matelot" (English version by David Harris) and Donizetti's "Il Campanello" (English version by Christopher Hassall). Founded in 1948, the London Opera Club has already to its credit the first performance on any stage of "Prima Donna" by Arthur Benjamin, and the first performance in Britain of "Angelique" by Jacques Ibert, together with revivals of "The Barber of Seville" by Peter Cornelius, "Venus and Adonis" by John Blow, "The Secret Marriage" by Domenico Cimarosa, "The Husband on the Mat" by Jacques Offenbach and "Susanna's Secret" by Wolf-Ferrari.

The Club's next London production will be "The Triumph of Virtue" by Alessandro Scarlatti, at the Fortune Theatre in February 1951.

## Curious Korea Incident

Washington, Nov. 16. An American spokesman reported today that four Russian-made jet fighters intercepted and "escorted" 30 American B-29 bombers in North Korea without firing a shot.

The incident occurred on Wednesday while United States aircraft were winging toward target area on the Yalu river. The crews of the B-29s sighted four Soviet-made MIG-15 jets at sea about 10 miles off the Korean east coast. The jets flew along with the bombers until the B-29s reached their target and dumped the bombs—United Press.

## Treasure worth millions may stay on sea bed

Cambridge University lecturer Mr Guy Pocock knows where treasure worth millions of pounds is lying. He claims to have located it earlier this year when he visited Egypt.

The treasure lies 30 ft. down in Aboukir Bay, where Nelson won the battle of the Nile in 1798.

Mr Pocock, a naval historian, studied Nelson's charts and French charts in the Cairo naval museum, and pinpointed the position of the French flagship L'Orient when she blew up and sank.

"There can be no doubt, because Nelson surprised the Frenchman at anchor," said Mr Pocock.

L'Orient was carrying £1,000,000 in money and three tons of treasure, including larger-

## THE CLOVEN HOOF—As GBS Drew Himself



Self-portrait by the artist — and the artist was George Bernard Shaw.

Here is the story behind this unique sketch. Shaw, in 1931, sat for a portrait sketch for an artist in Paris. The artist sent Shaw his preliminary sketch. But the sitter decided he could do it better himself. He picked up a sheet of hotel notepaper and drew this.

It was sent to the artist with the comment: "You have not drawn my legs on the caricature scale. This does them more justice."

A collector saw the sketch and offered £150 for it. The artist asked Shaw if he had any objection to the sale. The reply: "I have no objection," came on the back of a postcard-portrait from the author. The original sketch is now in America.

## Malik-killer Sir Gladwyn delights U.S.

From Frederick Cook

New York. Sir Gladwyn Jebb, the British United Nations delegate to Lake Success, would be the last man to regard himself as a slayer of Red dragons. But the Americans delight in his verbal duels with Moscow's Jacob Malik.

He is the sort of Englishman they like. He dresses well, but not too well. He takes a modest drink. He likes people, and they like him.

In debate he is a joy. He sits quietly, untroubled, looking only mildly impatient, while the vials of Mr Malik's wrath are poured out by radio and television.

But when his turn comes he throws one of his polished phrases with the deadly accuracy of a keen angler placing a fly just where it ought to be, above the nose of his trout.

Malik has learned better than to rise to Jebb's bait. It has barely concealed within it. The Russian takes refuge in glum silence.

But the Americans rate Sir Gladwyn pretty near the top of their individual popularity pool.

Behind the public facade is a cultivated gentleman with a nice command of languages and a rich store of apt classical quotations.

He speaks polished French; his Italian is flawless, his German faultless. He knows a word or two of Russian.

The job is hard. The hours are gruelling. But Jebb is flourishing. He does not believe there is such a thing as overwork.

No domestic worries afflict the Jebbs now that their younger daughter Stella has joined them in New York. They are looking forward to having their elder daughter Vanessa with them later.

A thick pile of fan mail pours into Sir Gladwyn's office each day. He values the opinions of people outside, who have faith in Uno, even more than those of his fellow-gladiators in the world's largest arena for the exchange of verbal blows.

## Middle East Talks Proposed

Athens, Nov. 16. Prime Minister Sophocles Venizelos said here today that Greece was disposed to participate in talks with Turkey and the Arab states, if she were asked to do so. He was replying to newspapermen who had questioned him about a statement by the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Koprulu, that Turkey "would willingly accept to take part in talks with the Arab States and Greece," if such a conference were proposed.

M. Venizelos said: "We too would do so if it were a necessity imposed by the international situation and apart from the Turkey"—Reuter.

## Londoner's Diary:

# Whisky From Denmark Baffles The Scotch

While Britain stoically ships off much of the Scotch whisky produced to America, we have begun importing Danish whisky to help fill the gap. A London importer brought the first small consignment here in March. He tells me he is now shipping nearly 600 cases a week.

Nearly all the imported Danish whisky goes to Scotland, where it sells for around 87s. 6d. a bottle. The Scots are understandably baffled by the economics of the situation. But they say that, even Danish whisky is better than no whisky at all.

**The Other Club**  
ONE of Britain's most exclusive clubs has been having a "strictly private" dinner. The Other Club, founded in 1911 by Mr Churchill, with the late Lord Birkenhead and Lloyd George.

This non-political club aims to bring together distinguished people from various walks of life for an occasional informal dinner. There are no speeches; seldom are more than a score of members present. The membership is little more than 50. Originally Liberals and Tories were equally represented. Now Tories predominate. I believe Lord Jowitt, the Lord Chancellor, is the only Socialist member.

Mr Churchill was present at the club dinner the other night.

## SUBSTITUTE FOR LEATHER — AT LAST

After two years' laboratory experiments, British scientists have produced a material which may revolutionise the boot and shoe industry.

Known as "Lotex", this new material—a mixture of synthetic and natural rubber—is claimed to outlast the highest quality leather soles. Production, however, is limited by the availability of synthetic rubber, which must be bought from America.

A similar material has been on the market in America for some time, but it is said to be inferior to the new British product.

During the past few months, practically every shoe manufacturer in Britain has received supplies of this material to enable him to test it on his own products. So far all reports received have been favourable.

The main advantages of "Lotex" over real leather is that it lasts much longer and will not mark the lightest coloured floors or furniture.

**CAN BE TINTED**

It can also be tinted to match any type of shoe or finished to represent real leather.

Till now, it has been used in the production of ladies' casual shoes, and men's walking shoes, and it is hoped to use it over a much wider range of footwear. But it will be some time before shoes soled with this material will be available on the home market.

Meanwhile, experiments on other types of imitation leather compounds are being carried out by Rubber Technical Developments, a branch of the British Rubber Development Board, in closest collaboration with boot and shoe manufacturers and the British Boot and Shoe Research Association.

Madame Michiels de Verduyn, tall, slim, distinguished-looking wife of the Netherlands Ambassador, has chosen her gown for this dinner. It is of "shocking pink" slipper satin with embroidery of diamonds and platinum sequins all over it. Her shoes are being specially made of the same material.

**Half-an-hour**

MISS MARLENE DIETRICH had half-an-hour to wait at London Airport recently before her aeroplane left for Paris. She sat in her car until the last minute; then she rushed into the lounge, booked in at the ticket desk, and doubled into the Customs shed.

Miss Dietrich stayed in a telephone box until the pas-

us.

**India Makes**

**"Atomic" Clock**  
An "atomic" clock to serve India and, if necessary, other Eastern countries, is in process of manufacture at the National Physical Laboratory here.

It will be an improved type of quartz clock with immunity from variations resulting from varying temperatures, altitude or humidity. It will operate on the principle of oscillation of ammonia molecules—similar to the energy used for atomic weapons.

India is dependent on Greenwich for her standard time, received daily through the wireless system. The Laboratory said the idea is to supplement, rather than substitute, the arrangement with Greenwich. All parts will be made by Indian technicians. The work is under the supervision of the Director of the Laboratory, Professor Krishnam. The clock is expected to be ready in about six months.

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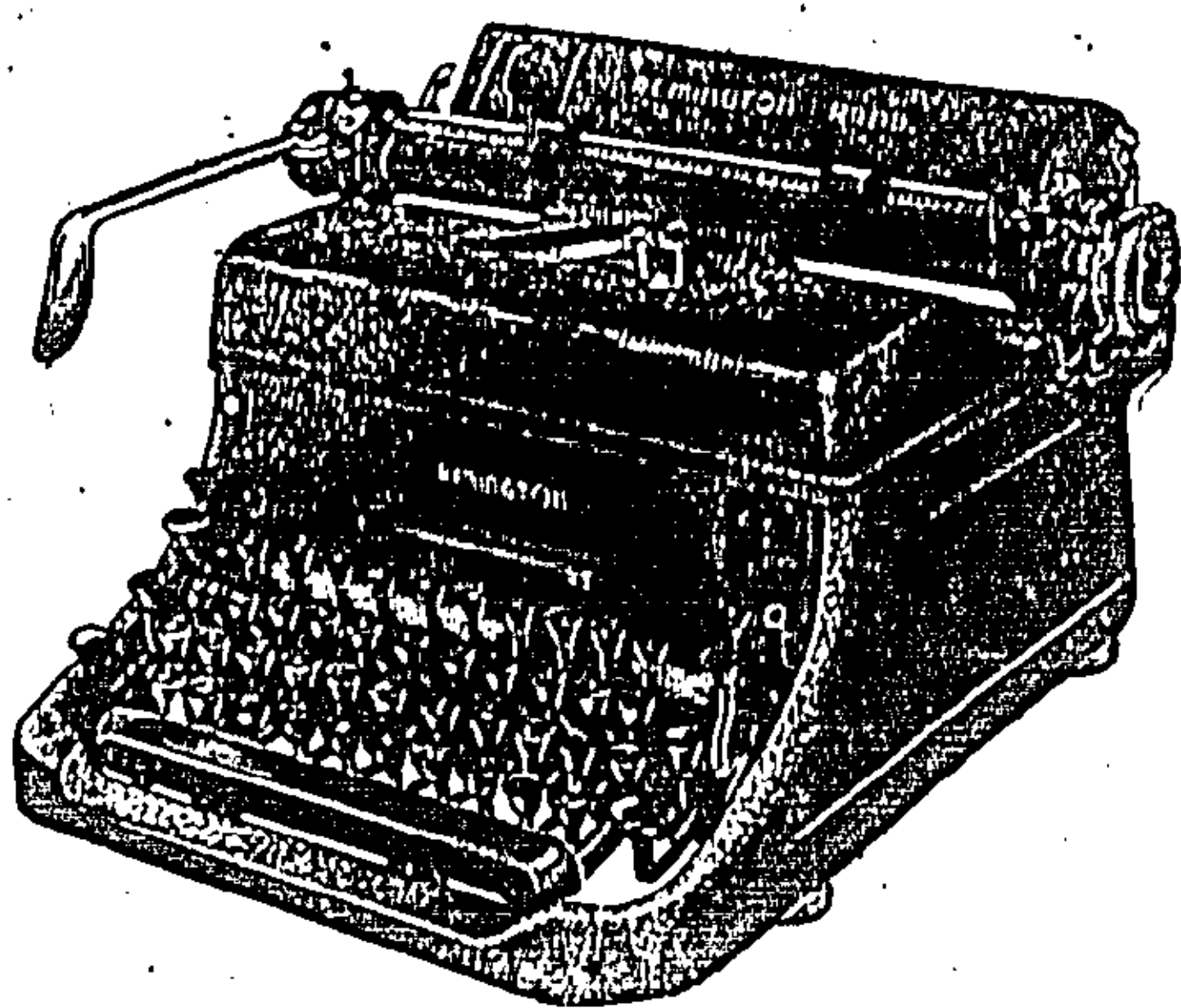






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## IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING US? . . . CHAPTER 15

# STILL GREATER PERIL AND MORE TERRIBLE

By Gerald Heard

THERE is still a further, and maybe a far graver risk that we, with our ridiculously disproportionate powers (disproportionate to our self-controls), are running for ourselves and for the Martians.

The little belt of mist which we could create by pulverising ourselves and leaving our coil and ring of smoke neatly to cut off the Martian sunlight—that blanketing procedure might fail.

We might disintegrate wholly or into such large fragments as not to form a belt of fog. And this is speculation for the future—perhaps clear deduction for them with their much greater powers of calculation arising from their far advanced knowledge of the powers we are now monkeying with.

But what is not speculation but clear observation may have a far more perilous meaning. Just at the very time that we chose to fire off our atom bombs with very considerable wantonness, considering our abysmal ignorance of the consequences—just at that very time no less an important body than the sun itself chose to "act up."

**No denying**

We know that the largest sunspot, that have even been seen on the face of the sun did appear just at that time. Was that just chance association? We did this and then out there that happened.

But we must remember we have no other way of finding out the connection of things than by making something happen and then watching all round and everywhere to see if anything out of the common occurs—in consequence.

And there is no denying that when we made use of our super-force, when we released

for the first time atomic energy, then the sun did do something we have never seen before. It did produce the biggest spots recorded—monster things.

But of course our puny efforts could never affect such a monster body—why, into one of those spots you could put 20 of our worlds laid out in a line and then they might not quite stretch across it!

And yet there is such a thing as "trigger action" in the universe. A catalyst in one part in a million, and indeed less, can set off a complete reaction.

**Vortexes**

A virus not a couple of molecules across can explode a deadly disease that will reduce our monstrous bodies (compared with a virus) into a heap of decay.

Further when we come to study sunspots, the actual things, they are profoundly queer and also profoundly powerful "centres." They seem to be vortexes, frantic storms that tear open the photosphere—the dazzling blaze of fire that is the sun's outer "skin."

And then out of these monstrous "gun-ports" there is shot intense short-wave radiation. They are whirlpools of short-radiation or, as we used to call it, the light that is beyond light.

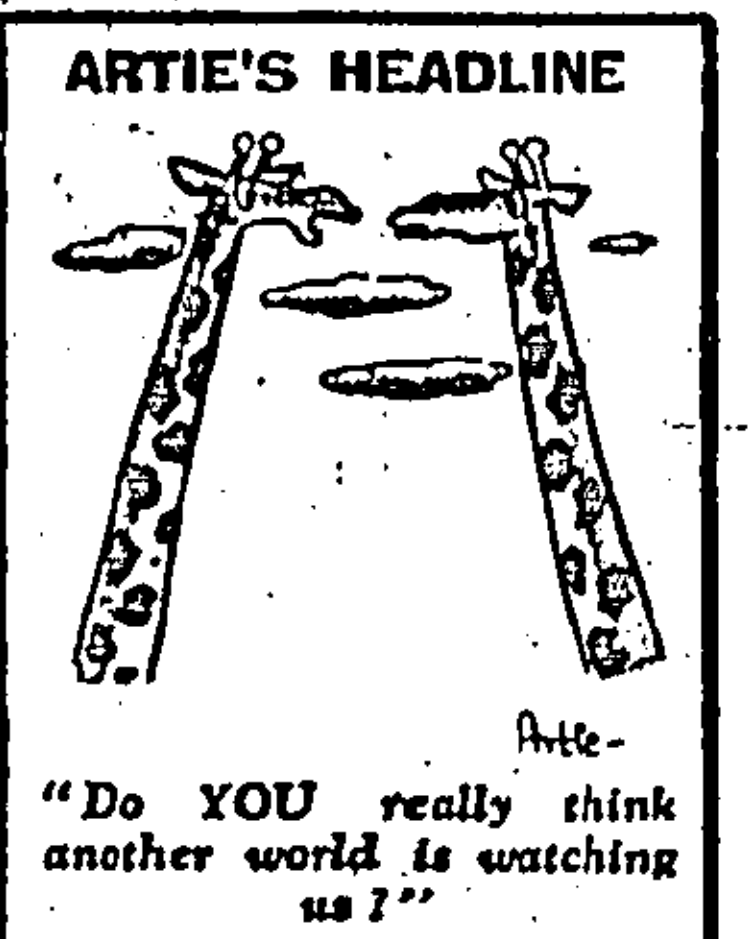
They are much more penetrating than ordinary visible light. They pierce into our atmosphere, derange all our radio, cause, there can be little doubt, all sorts of mutations in the genes (the heredity-bearing units in living creatures), profoundly upset the weather, alter the crop yield and, maybe cause sudden rises of insanity and hysteria by attacking our nervous system.

Yes, sunspots are no joke. They are problem No. 1 in celestial forces.

But we couldn't be provocative of such tempests! Are we sure? We do know that the pull of the planets does make for one of the causes which bring about the periodic—about

every 11 years—cycle of sunspot activity.

We know also that they are magnetic fields. Now the earth is a very powerful magnetic field. Its huge heart of nickel-iron—a heart perhaps bigger considering this globe's actual



size than that of most of the other planets—makes it a very powerful magnet, and it is comparatively close to the sun.

Could it be a trigger-piece in the sunspot explosion rhythm? Is there any evidence of this?

Observations made in France in the Twenties seemed to show what then seemed as a highly anomalous fact—that as on the face of the sun, as the sun spins round, a sunspot comes so that it begins to face directly toward us, its shape changes often.

This fact was noted as odd, very odd. But it would seem to suggest that we, though so small (even when we are not playing with atom power as a catalytic aid to cataclysm) do make the sunspots alter their behaviour.

Lastly, the Martians have the strongest wish that we should not increase the short-wave radiation from the sun.

Astronomer after astronomer has pointed out that one of the reasons why it was hard to accept life on Mars, even vegetable life, was the fact that the Martian atmosphere was so thin

that they had not enough protection from the short-wave rays from the sun that are deadly to life—at least at the stage we know it—and, anyhow, insufficient force must make the high balance of the living cell and of the gene impossible by breaking down that delicate organisation.

There is, however, a far greater risk, far greater than just making the sun sterilise all of us, yes, and give us "X-ray burns" that would kill us. We might—a few of us, some of us here and some of us on Mars—for in this matter we would all be of the same family—the family of life; and all in the same boat, the solar system being flooded with super-solar radiation—a scanty remnant of us, of all life from the two planets on which it has crept underground and escape.

**Pulsing star**

There would be no escaping this, the second and far greater peril. But could there be a greater peril? Yes. Just one more is more terrible. It, too, comes from the sun.

The sun is, in technical language, a Cepheid—that is, a pulsing star, one whose light and radiation and, indeed, probably its bulk, varies, fluctuates on some mysterious atomic tide.

These stars, which have been one of the first interests of astronomers since they were discovered (for one thing they give a way of estimating the size of the universe, when the usual way of measuring distances, the parallax way, will no longer serve for measuring such vast distances), these pulsing stars have also, it is thought, another thing to tell us. They may tell us about the nature of atomic force.

They are supposed to lessen and swell because, in the fabulous pressures that go on inside a sun, the compression goes so intense that at last all the electrons are stripped from the atom-core. Then the atom

somehow "rebounds," regathers the electrons of which it has been robbed and once again the star recovers its size. But what if it didn't?

There is, it is supposed, another end to the story, rare but not infrequent. Instead of just recovering, the star may explode.

**Orange Dwarf**

Novae, perhaps the most amazing phenomena of the whole night sky, seem to be stars that suddenly broke all their bounds. And the stars which are most likely to do that are precisely Cepheids.

Further, among Cepheids there seems to be one type which is most liable to explode. That is the type which is called from size and colour an Orange Dwarf. Now the serious matter lies precisely here.

Our sun is not only a Cepheid. This has been allowed for some time. But also there is no doubt it is an Orange Dwarf.

We had long faced up to the matter that our glorious sun was not really much of a sun. It does well enough for us, but in the monstrous scale of the universe it does not rank at all high. But only lately did we realise that though modest to look upon, it stood high, dangerously high in its possibilities.

No one knows when a Cepheid will explode. It is one of the keenest hunts that is now going on in the night sky—to see if there is any way of recognising a pre-nova, a star that is ready and ripe to burst.

Does its spectrum show any shadows to forecast that blinding event? No one knows. What is suspected is that something quite hidden and perhaps catalytic may be the trigger that sets off this cosmic mine.

**Warnings**

The sunspots may be warnings of indigestive trouble—as spots on our own face sometimes tell about our deep interior conflicts. If so, the storm signals have been flying doubly flagged at the masthead since we began to try to make earth-spots with our bomb.

us. They would find the mischievous chief lying at our door.

Even if the sunspots had not raised the alarm, even if the sun had not signalled in so unmistakable a way, they must have seen our fatal signal.

When we twice struck Japan and then, not to slaughter but to astound, made the Pacific spout—when we, time and again, sent up great super-thunder heads of smoke, spray, and the wreckage of human industry and human bodies, right up into the stratosphere, then we put out a finger to beckon attention on any watching fellow planet that we were the little fellow out for trouble, and able and itching to give it.

**Time for action**

They could hardly have failed to see that defiant, wanton signal.

With their knowledge, with the sun showing such major spots, with their knowledge of what those spots mean, with their knowledge of what is the dangerously delicately balanced nature of that furnace of forces we call our day-bringer, they could not have failed to conclude that the time for action had come.

So we close for the moment the question: Why Now? It is we who have decided why now. One who cares for the solar system should look in on us and ask us to be careful.

When a Cepheid explodes it turns into a mass of flame which races out at a speed that in a few weeks has transformed it from a small, insignificant star to one of the wonders of the sky. But only a wonder to someone fabulously far off.

Near by, for any planetary body of such a sun, the display is a horror. In a matter of hours—during which the heat would rise to deadly heights—the flame itself would engulf the earth and the earth would probably be vapourised as it was engulfed.

**Cold universe**

It would probably extend out as far as the orbit of Mars, and though Mars might not be melted, all life, of course, would have vanished forever.

Then the star that has erupted shrinks again and soon becomes, in many cases, smaller than it has been. It seems that it often shrinks down till it becomes that strange dwarf-monster, a White Dwarf, fabulously heavy—some with density that would make a square inch of the material weigh a ton—but giving out very little light-giving radiation.

Even if any of the sun's planets survived the terrible cataclysm, even if life on any of them could hide itself during this hurricane of super-flame, such life would only emerge out into a universe so cold and black that death from zero would take that which had escaped death by incineration. (World Copyright—London Express Service.)

(MORE TOMORROW)

## THE COCOA FARMER BOUGHT A BRASS BAND FOR CASH

THE manager of the store at Kumasi, capital of Ashanti in the Gold Coast, looked up in astonishment. The African cocoa farmer repeated his request. "I want a brass band," he said, and backed it up with a sheaf of notes as proof of means to pay. He paid \$450, and eventually a complete set of brass band instruments was ordered for him from home.

The cocoa farmer of the Gold Coast is well off today, for the price of cocoa has risen from \$20 a ton prewar to over \$200.

Cocoa is the Colony's main crop, and the whole country depends on it. When, at the beginning of the war, there was no shipping to take cocoa from the ports, it looked as if the Colony would be ruined. But the British Government came to the rescue. It guaranteed to buy the whole crop, whether it could be shipped or not, to bear any loss on re-sale, and, at the end of the war, to pay over to the producers any profits there might be. The cocoa farmer was on velvet.

**Bad season**

After one bad season, when large stocks were burnt on the quays, shipping was found. Demand for cocoa and chocolate increased as the war went on, and prices soared. By the end of the war there was an accumulated profit of about \$20 million due to the farmers.

Had this sum been distributed to individual growers, there would have been a riot of inflation. Already prices had risen to absurd heights as a result of too much cash chasing too few imported goods. With every increase in the cocoa producer's profits prices of local foodstuffs rose in sympathy, and the lot of the fixed income employees was hard. Civil servants, from office boy to "top dogs," found they could not live on their pay.

To avoid making things worse, the surplus was paid over in 1947 to a Government-controlled Board, not for individual distribution but to be administered for the benefit of the cocoa industry as a whole.

**Enormous profits**

Before the war the price of cocoa had fluctuated violently during the year, often from day to day, and it was felt that the farmer's position would be more secure if he was guaranteed a fixed price for the season. The Board took over the whole buying and marketing of the crop. It pays the farmer less than the market price and puts the difference into the fund, so that it has resources from which to pay out at above market price if that world market figure should drop in the future.

For the last three seasons the Board, by fixing the price to the producer on a conservative basis, has made enormous profits, and its original capital is likely, by the end of 1950, to reach the sum of \$50 million or more. Even the farmer has received an increasing rate for his cocoa every year.

The Board is now in a dilemma. They could afford to pay the farmer a much higher price than he gets already. But this would merely make rich men richer and start another burst in inflation.

Even today there are not enough goods in the shops of the Gold Coast to meet demands, but if supplies were doubled or tripled they would still not absorb the spending capacity of the African—and the African is as good a spend-thrift as anyone!

**Ten times more**

There is a limit, therefore, on the things the African can buy, and to invest in a brass band is at least more sensible than papering a room with one-pound notes or using paper money to light a pipe, as happens quite frequently when the farmer gets his cheque for the year.

But if they do not distribute all their profit the Board has no option but to go on adding to its surplus.

This will soon be ten times more than the reserve funds of the Colony and more than eight times the annual revenue.

And, being human, the farmer, rich as he is, would sooner have more cash in hand than a stable price in the distant future when the market falls. So he may become restive and join in political agitation.

The Gold Coast has created a monster beyond its control, and it will soon be the Cocoa Board

which runs the Government instead of the other way about.

What should have been done was to see that the farmers made a fair contribution to the cost of government and to the rising burden of social services. As it is, the only direct tax he pays is generally less than £1 a year. What a paradise for the farmer, of whom there are numbers making £4,000 or £5,000 a year!

But the income tax machinery is in its infancy, and the cocoa farmer gets away with it. As he can't spend more than a fraction of what he makes, he hoards it. The banks ho ho ho, so he usually keeps his money in bottles or tins which are buried under the earth floor of his house or in the compound. There are millions of pounds in hard cash hidden in this way.

**Disease threat**

Perhaps one day mouldering notes and aged coins will come out of their hiding places to keep the farmer going, for over the whole cocoa industry lies the shadow of "swollen shoot," a disease which is spreading over huge areas and for which there is as yet no known cure. The only thing to do is to cut down the diseased tree—and this the farmer objects to doing—and to re-plant. Within 25 years cocoa may die out altogether.

'Easy come, easy go' is a motto which may well apply to the cocoa industry of the Gold Coast.

—G. F. Sayers

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**Oxford Are The Favourites Again In The Rugger Battle Of The Blues**  
Says PETER LOVEGROVE  
Chief interest of the enthusiastic rugby union follower during November is invariably, the team-building and form shown by the two Varsity sides, which meet this year for the sixty-ninth time at Twickenham on December 5. Oxford have won 31 of these encounters, five more than Cambridge.  
The first month of the University term has not been as encouraging as in past seasons, and it is already clear that Oxford, though they must start favourites on paper once again, cannot be compared with the really brilliant sides of 1946 and 1948.  
Just why this is so is a little puzzling. The Dark Blues 1949 fifteen, which was unbeaten until after Twickenham, provided six internationals: H. B. Holmes (full-back), B. Boobyer, L. B. Cannell and W. J. Botting (three-quarters), W. J. Heier and A. D. Small (forwards)—who are among the ten Old Blues still in residence, although Holmes has declared that he will not be able to play owing to examinations. The trials revealed a great wealth of talent from which to select the few best players, including T. J. Brewer, the Newport and Welsh International wing.  
**AN EXCELLENT START**  
An excellent start was made with easy victories over St. Mary's Hospital and the Portsmouth United Services, but Oxford were then held to a draw by Leicester (whom they beat by 18 points last year). Next came a thrilling 11-6 win over Cardiff, who were not at full strength, only to be followed by defeat at home at the hands of Blackheath, admittedly an improved side but not expected to do more than extend the very fit and keen University side.  
The most disturbing factor of these past two games has been that the Dark Blues were beaten in all branches of forward play, where they were held to be very strong. Cardiff won quite 80 percent of the ball, and Blackheath dominated the tight and line-outs, the Club's covering in the open being so quick and intelligent that the University back division seemed almost non-existent.  
One reason for these forward failures is that Oxford—like several other sides this season—have been experimenting with South African tactics in the tight scrummages and line-outs, but have not yet mastered the drill.  
In the tight—they form 3-4-1—the two wing forwards pack wide and at an angle to the line of the scrum, leaving a wide gap between hooker, prop and the first two men of the second row through which the ball should shoot out like a cannonball. In the line-outs, the eighth—man-stands at the side of the line in the region of scrum-half to block any holes that may appear in the opposition breaks through.  
**CAMBRIDGE PROBLEMS**  
Cambridge, on the other hand, who did not appear to have much hope when the season started and early results were not encouraging, have shown up much better than expected in the past fortnight and are improving with every match.  
The customary easy victory over the Old Blues was followed by a more hard-earned

one over St. Mary's Hospital, who dominated the forward play for three quarters of the game. The Light Blues then gave a dismal display against Harlequins but, matched the Quins' bolsterous and heavy pack. A brilliant second-half recovery overcame Richmond on the Athletic Ground, and after easily beating the Cambridge LX Club, they deservedly accounted for Coventry, who have the strongest pack in the country.  
What is more, these successes have been obtained without Cambridge being at full strength outside the pack. Glyn Davies, the Varsity skipper, had only one Old Blue in his pack (front-row man H. Willis), and three among the backs, J. V. Smith, I. S. Glog and himself.  
Smith, the brilliant English International with the remarkable turn of speed, fractured his shoulder again and wrenched muscles before term opened. He is expected to be able to resume playing soon, but it is not known whether his captain will expose him to the hard tackling which centres have to give and receive, or put him on the wing.  
The other likely centre, Brian Reeve, the thick-set England Trialist and Army player of last year, has also had to miss a number of games through injury.  
When fit, he is a most determined, straight runner and a devastating tackler, but his passing is never very controlled.  
In their absence, Cambridge have been poorly served, and the useful brothers Glog on the wings have not been able to show how dangerous they really are.  
Glyn Davies, of course, remains as ever a potential match-winner, very quick in thought and a most slippery runner, and he has been hitting it off well with his new scrum-half, J. K. Shepherd.  
The scrum was expected to provide him with his hardest problem, but it is developing most usefully. Generally on the short and light side it stood up remarkably well to the giant Harlequins, mastered Richmond's in the 100s, and compared most favourably in last, speed and aggressiveness with Coventry's. Here is an eight in which every man pulls his full weight and fights to the very end, with N. E. Williams a dangerous wing forward.  
At the time of writing, each side has five fixtures to fulfil before the vital Twickenham game, and much can happen yet in both camps. But if the Light Blues' successes can be

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By Order of the Stewards  
S. A. SLEAP, Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 22nd May, 1949.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**  
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There are 10 races on the 1st Day and 6 races on the 2nd Day (18 in all).  
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"BENATHOW"	do	17th Jan.
"BENRINNES"	do	25th Jan.
"BENBUCHANAN"	do	29th Jan.
"BENCLEUCH"	do	14th Feb.

## SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	DEPARTS
"BENATHOW"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	21st Jan.
"BENALDER"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	19th Nov.
"BENAVON"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	17th Dec.
"BENHOB"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	18th Dec.
"BENRINNES"	Havre, Liverpool, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	16th Jan.
"BENBUCHANAN"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Rotterdam & Antwerp	30th Nov.
"BENLAVER"	do	5th Jan.
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## AS THE SOFTBALL SEASON MOVES ON

## A BITTER FIGHT IS IN THE OFFING FOR THE PLAY-OFF BERTHS

By "Grandstand"

Recently the Softball Association circulated managers of teams to obtain a majority opinion on the method of playing off the final championships in the Men's leagues and, judging from reports received, it is certain that the system will be for the two top teams in each section to play off a four-way round robin similar to last year's.

With the league running into its third month and the first round almost over, the league table is gradually sorting out the sheep from the goats, and it is safe to assume that the teams in the lower bracket of each division will fall to qualify for the playoffs.

True class will tell in the long run and to date the Braves and the Jaguars of the Blue and Gold sections seem assured of a playoff berth, both teams leading in their respective sections of the Senior League, and it is a cinch that the struggle for the two remaining positions will be bitterly fought out in the weeks to come.

The most amazing reversal of form witnessed in the year was the astounding tale of the American and St. Teresa's, both squads being just free of the cellar dampness, and yet capable of upsetting the best teams on a right day.

## WAS IT A JINX?

In the case of the Americans it is understandable with the lack of a decent pitcher, but with St. Teresa's it seems to be a jinx as all their losses were close affairs, with just one break needed to win the game, but Lady Luck must have been looking the other way.

It was the same story last year when the Terries hit the skids right from the outset by dropping two games in a row when winning either one of them would have meant a playoff position, and who can tell that they might not have run away with the pennant.

Earlier this week fans saw several Canadian teams from the visiting destroyers in action against local sides, and particular respect was accorded to the Athabaskans who overwhelmed the local champion Braves 10-3.

The pitching was superb as nine of the Warriors were mowed down via the strikeout route, but how many spectators recognised the bearded hurler as Ernie Tuttle who displayed his wares in the 1948/49 post-season tussles when the HMCS Crescent was here for a short while.

In that game against an all-star side Ernie Tuttle fanned 19 batters to face him in a nine inning game, and his amazing pitching ability whiffed Ingram, Erikson and Robert Verlysen six times each during that tilt.

Four senior league teams, with one loss chalked up against each of them will tangle this week in two important games, and the chances of the losers over the weekend will be considerably reduced as far as staying in the flag chase is concerned.

St. Joseph's meet South China in the curtain raiser while Overseas will be pitted against Pandas at 8.00 p.m. on Sunday to highlight the weekend fixtures.

## TASTES DIFFER

## Athletic Meets In Europe Can Draw A 50,000 Crowd

BY CORNELIUS RYAN

America and the rest of the world often are in complete aesthetic agreement on the greatness of an athlete, but when it comes to paying money to see that athlete, the USA and the rest of the world differ greatly.

This difference is most clearly shown in track and field, where the Americans dominate. American sports fans agree that Jim Fuchs is a great shot putter, that Mal Whitfield is a great 800-metre runner, that Dick Attlesley is a magnificent hurdler and that Bob Mathias is an unmatched decathlon man, but if all these together were entered in a track meet, the crowd would total only a few thousand. In Europe it would draw 20,000 or 50,000.

But Joe DiMaggio, the baseball star, can pack American stadiums and yet have no attraction for other nations. The same is true of such USA football stars as Glenn Davis and Johnny Lujack.

## SOCCER VIEWPOINT

Soccer is another major point of difference. It is a minor sport in America, and even the greatest European teams, on tour in America, can draw no more than 15,000 or 20,000 to matches that would be seen in Europe by 100,000 or more.

But the American trackmen, although they get only mild public acclaim at home, make up for it in the attention they get from the press and the public.

USA stars are eagerly sought each summer for tours of other continents, and this year seven different squads made tours to Central America, Europe and South Africa.

In addition, America sent a team to the Maccabiah Games in Israel, and USA officials worked at the Central American meets in recent years, and occasionally a world-famed man such as Sweden's Kenneth Strand will run in an indoor meet in America.

A few foreign athletes compete in America in return. Two or three star Europeans have been seen each winter in indoor meets in recent years, and occasionally a world-famed man such as Sweden's Kenneth Strand will run in an indoor meet in America.

## The Man Who Picked Clonfleckle For The St. Leger Says

## The Broadwood Handicap Will Be Fought Out Between Amarant, Ben Wyvis and High Speed

BY "RAPIER"

The race of the day tomorrow when the 11th Race Meeting continues at Happy Valley is the Broadwood Handicap for Australian Class 1A Ponies over six furlongs. This will probably be fought out between Amarant, Ben Wyvis and High Speed, with Clonfleckle and Panda as outsiders.

There are eight races to be contested and the first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

Mr K. F. Chiu, who was injured as a result of a fall when riding Popularity in the Lama Handicap (Second Section) at the last meeting, has fully recovered and will be seen in action, whilst Mr A. Ostroumoff, injured last Wednesday when taking a pony out for a training run, will be a non-starter.

Here is my summing-up of the chances:

## RACE ONE

Ripon Handicap (First Section): One Mile.  
The first race tomorrow afternoon is confined to Australian Class 8 and will be ridden by Novice Jockeys.

Pacific, with Mr Kwok up, came third in the Thirsk Handicap (Third Section) over six furlongs at the 9th Race Meeting and as it will be ridden by Mr Darkin, a fast-improving Novice jockey, it should stand a good chance of winning in view of its fine track work during morning training on November 8 when it completed the mile in 1.58.2.

Yacul (Mr Robert Tsai), is capable of winning and it will give Pacific a great run if it does not actually win.

Good Bay (Mr Dau), is remarkably fit at the moment and its recent morning gallops have been very convincing. It should be near at the finish.

As an outsider I recommend keeping Bonny Eyes (Mr Auchin) in mind.

## RACE TWO

Moreton Handicap (First Section): 1 1/4 Miles.  
In this race for the first lot of Australian Ponies Class 7, the likely winner should come tomorrow.

Tomorrow it will carry 152 lbs whereas Egyptian Head will carry 159 lbs. Seafire must command the most support but, although I am inclined to nominate it to win, I look to Egyptian Head to give it a better fight and with a little luck reverse its last defeat. For the third position Vagabond King (Mr Noodt) and Bambal (Mr Pih) will fight out the issue.

from one of the following: Crown Witness (Mr T. L. Wong), Powerhouse (Mr Renfrew), Glamour Butterfly (Mr S. W. Lee), Green Velvet (Mr Holgate) and Good Luck (Mr Vong).

Crown Witness won the Epsom Handicap (Third Section) from near the two mile post once round and in at the 9th Race Meeting and has one up in weight by 12 lbs. There is little doubt, however, that it can handle this extra weight and still win.

The real danger, however, is Powerhouse, which will be taken out by Mr Renfrew tomorrow afternoon. It should command the most support.

Glamour Butterfly (First Section) for Class 8 ponies, must also be considered as it is in fine condition.

Green Velvet and Good Luck are also likely winners as they are improving on their morning gallops.

## RACE THREE

Alveston Handicap: Six Furlongs.  
This is a well-watched race, an encounter between Seafire (Mr Tao) and Egyptian Head (Mr Williamson) on the last occasion they met, Seafire had the better of Egyptian Head, with Mr Cook, up by 1-1/2 lengths in the Stubbs Handicap at the 8th Race Meeting over 1-1/4 miles for the first position.

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## RACE FOUR

Moreton Handicap (Second Section): 1 1/4 Miles.  
This event will be contested by Second Section Australian Ponies Class 7.

Madison (Mr Williamson) should have no difficulty in winning. This pony came second in the Epsom Handicap (Third Section) from near the two mile post once round and in at the 9th Race Meeting, but in view of the opposition it should not be fully expected, except perhaps by Jockeys (Mr Renfrew), Trado Wind (Mr Pih) which was second in the above race with Mr Chuang up should be placed again. Dawn (Mr Noodt) and Sans Atout (Mr Chuang) can be regarded as outsiders.

## RACE FIVE

Ripon Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.  
In the second section of the race for Australian Ponies Class 8 an interesting struggle should ensue.

Double Coin (Mr Maitland) and Some Fun (Mr S. W. Lee), have been given 109 lbs to handle and I think we can safely leave them out. I expect the winner to come from Abdul Hamid (Mr Williamson), Rifle (Mr K. T. Chiu), Strawberry Fool (Mr Chuang) or Chief Witness (Mr Tsong).

Abdul Hamid, which was second in the Thirsk Handicap (Second Section) over six furlongs with Mr Ostroumoff, up at the 9th Race Meeting, has a good chance of scoring, a who has but there is no doubt that it will meet with serious opposition.

Ladies' Hockey  
League Matches  
On Sunday

The first matches in the Ladies' Hockey league will be played on Sunday, November 19, and not on Saturday as previously reported.

The fixtures are:

Dutch Ladies v. Gremlins "B" at Pokfulam, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: Z.A. Abbas & A. Aziz. Transport from Star Ferry at 2.15 p.m.).

KGVS "B" v. University at King George V School, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: R. Souza & R.C. Reed).

Recrolo v. Gremlins "A" at Club de Recrolo, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: A.M. Silva & P.F. Xavier).

KGVS "A" v. H.K. Ladies at King George V School, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: U.S. Dillon & K. Loh).

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ISADANE	22nd Nov.	10th Dec.
ISADANE	7th Dec.	17th Dec.
ISADANE	21st Dec.	26th Dec.

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GELBERG	In Port	20th Nov.
IRAMPEK	15th Dec.	7th Dec.
IRAMPEK	15th Dec.	10th Jan. '51

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EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
IRAMPEK	22nd Nov.	12th Dec.
IRAMPEK	Mid Dec.	10th Jan. '51

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
GELBERG	19th Nov.	19th Nov.
IRAMPEK	5th Dec.	20th Dec.

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# Slide-down Tendency In U.S. Stock Market

New York, Nov. 16.

The stock market closed in the red today for the first time in seven sessions. Numerous issues took a brace in the final hour, however, and either reduced their losses substantially or veered over into the plus column.

## PHILIPPINES BUYS MORE FROM JAPAN

Manila, Nov. 16. The Secretary of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Cornelio Balmaceda, commenting on the reports that barrier trade between the Philippines and Japan was unfavourable to the latter country, disclosed that Philippine importers have been increasing their purchases of Japanese goods.

On the date of import control, the administration and the Central Bank of the Philippines revealed the value of import licence applications surpassed the total value of export applications approved during the period of August to September, Secretary Balmaceda said.

The figures showed that Philippine exports to Japan decreased from 4,500,000 pesos in August to 2,500,000 pesos in September, when imports from Japan rose during the same period from 3,500,000 pesos to 6,000,000 pesos.

Mr. Balmaceda said he believed that the balanced two-way trade, envisaged in the barrier agreement which became effective last July, can still be achieved.—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

In this morning's dealings on the Hongkong Stock Exchange, the total value was \$102,840.25.

Noon quotations were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

H.K. Bank 1330

INSURANCES 620

Union 320

DOCKS, ETC. 60

K. Wharf 51 53

Wharf 51 53

Dock 14 15 1000 @ 14 1/2

President 11 1/2

Shah Dock 3 1/2 3 1/2 1000 @ 3 1/2

1st ETC. 7 1/2

H.K. Hotel 7 1/2 7 1/2

UTILITIES 13 1/2

Star Ferry 7 1/2

C. Light (O) 14 1/2 500 @ 14 1/2

C. Light (N) 9 1/2 200 @ 20 1/2

Electric 20 1/2 250 @ 20 1/2

Telephone 11 1/2

INDUSTRIALS 13 1/2

Cement 14 1/2 500 @ 14 1/2

Rope 14 1/2 900 @ 14 1/2

STORES, ETC. 13 1/2

Dairy 13 1/2 200 @ 14

Dairy (N) 12 1/2 13 1/2 @ 12 1/2

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Grain Prices

Chicago, Nov. 16.

Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:

Wheat—Price per bushel:

Spot 2 1/2

December 2 1/2

March (1951) 2 1/2

July 2 1/2

Corn

Spot 1 1/2

Buying spurs helped to reduce losses contracted earlier in the day, but for the most part, the market coasted along at prices well below Wednesday's closing levels.

Utilities, copper mining and mail order stocks put up the best resistance to the general trend to lower price ground.

Plus signs appeared frequently in these categories.

Automotive shares led the general retreat, in which steel, radio television, chemicals, building materials, railroad, and building materials stocks also participated.

Dow Jones averages:

20 Industrials 228.94

15 Rails 68.74

10 Utilities 40.60

—Associated Press.

CURB EXCHANGE

New York, Nov. 16.

The curb exchange also ran into a selling drive, and losses ranging to more than US\$1 a share appeared for such stocks as Cities Service, Dumont A. Ford Motors of Canada, New Jersey Zinc, Sherwin Williams and U.S. Foll B.—Associated Press.

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## MILL BUYING GIVES BOOST TO COTTON

New York, Nov. 16.

Cotton futures displayed early strength today, but later reacted sharply under profit-taking and hedging.

On the initial upturn, mill buying rent prices up as much as \$1.70 a bale.

Exporters believed Spain would soon seek cotton here, following news that the Export-Import Bank will extend loans to Spain.

Increased profit-taking and hedging depressed futures to new lows for the day at the close, five to 75 cents lower.

December 42.77 - 79

March 42.40 - 42

May 42.00 - 42.02

July 41.30

October 39.78 - 79

December 39.35

Midling spot 43.72

—Associated Press.

NEW ORLEANS PRICES

New Orleans, Nov. 16.

Cotton futures closed 90 cents a bale lower to 10 cents higher.

December 42.67

March 42.23 - 28

May 42.88 - 87

July 41.30

October 39.78 - 79

December 39.35

Midling spot 43.72

—Associated Press.

RECORD HIGH

Memphis

Tennessee, Nov. 16.

Midling spot cotton soared to 43.05 cents a pound here on Wednesday, setting a record high. In 1919, it hit 43 cents.—Associated Press.

PHILIPPINES

Manila, Nov. 16.

The extension of free trade between Philippines and the United States to develop the major sugar, coconut and banana industries of the country will be sought by a group of legislators, it was reported today.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs is reported to be preparing to seek important amendments to the present trade agreements with the United States as means to protect the country's principal industries.

Senator Enrique Magallon is said to have already drafted a resolution to request the U.S. Congress to extend the free trade agreement between the two countries. The free trade will terminate in a few years under the Bell Trade Act, and if the extension is not granted, the major industries of the islands will suffer severely unless they find other foreign markets, legislative members said.—United Press.

JAPANESE

BONDS

London, Nov. 16.

Japanese bonds closed as much as two points lower on the London Stock Exchange today. The market was irregular in the face of what news from the Far East.

British Government bonds were lower and there was dullness in mining shares. Industrial and oil closed with small gains.

The Financial Times index was 118.0, off 0.1.—Associated Press.

NEW YORK PRICES

New York, Nov. 16.

Japanese bonds slipped around a point generally today. Traded here on Monday for the first time since Pearl Harbor, Japan 1 1/2 percents were down 1 1/2 at 5 1/2 and the Tokyo City 5 1/2 were down 1 1/2 at 4 1/2.—Associated Press.

## New Record Wool Price

Sydney, Nov. 16.

A world record price of 200 pence (Australian currency) a pound was paid at the Geelong wool sales today for four bales of Merino fleeces. Two bales of lambs wool made 351 pence a pound.

Russia dominated the market for crossbred wools. High prices ruled in Brisbane where scoured wool brought up to 380 pence and greasy 208.—Associated Press.

## Soybeans Rally In Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 16.

Soybeans, off several cents at one time on the Board of Trade today, rallied following the news that the Commodity Credit Corporation was in the market for crude soybean oil for the first time in several months. It was buying oil for shipment to Austria.

Wheat showed resistance to selling pressure, but closed 1/4 to 3/4 lower.

December 42.28 - 14

March 42.33 - 14

May 42.33 - 32 1/2

July 42.33 - 14

October 42.33 - 14

December 42.33 - 14

Midling spot 42.33 - 14

—Associated Press.

Economic Aid To

Indonesia

Washington, Nov. 16.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, today assured the Foreign Minister of Indonesia that the United States would give the young republic all the economic aid it could.

The Minister, Dr. Mohammad Bura, who is touring Washington for the first time, paid a courtesy call on the Secretary and later told reporters the Secretary considered the "development of Indonesia to be very important."

"He was optimistic that the United States will give assistance wherever it will be possible," he added.

Dr. Bura said Indonesia's bid for membership in the Far Eastern Commission was not discussed at the 15-minute meeting, nor was the situation in Korea. He explained that the assistance promised by Mr. Acheson would be in the form of ECA and Point Four aid.—United Press.

LONDON TIN

MARKET

London, Nov. 16.

The tin market opened decidedly weaker today. Turnover was heavy at 220 tons, including 30 tons for cash.

Prices closed as follows:

Spot tin, buyer 1020

Spot tin, seller 1020

Business done at 1020

Three-months tin, buyer 965

Three-months tin, seller 965

Business done at 965-970

Settlement 1020 1/2

—United Press.

TIN, RUBBER

DIP DOWN

Singapore, Nov. 16.

Tin and rubber prices dipped sharply today as demand slackened. Tin sold at Straits \$523.625 per picul of 133.5 pounds, down 11.375 from Wednesday's \$535. The Straits dollar is roughly 35 U.S. cents.

Spot rubber brought \$1.97 Straits a pound, off 13 cents.—Associated Press.

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## Man Who Lives By Fraud

### Given Prison Term & Banishment

"This man on various days and at various places got money and jewellery from persons by saying that he could give them jobs. He lives absolutely by fraud," said Insp. J. Hill before Mr Winter a Kowloon this morning when he prosecuted a 32-year-old earth coolie, Kwong Chi-hung, who was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and recommended for banishment on four counts of obtaining money by false pretences.

On August 14, at an unnumbered hut, Valley Road, Kwong obtained \$130 from Cheung Kai, a woman, by saying that he could obtain for her a job at the Kowloon Dock.

On September 22, he obtained \$90 and one gold ring from another woman, Tse Chuen, by assuring her that he could get her a job at the Kowloon Dock. Four days later, he obtained \$40 more from the same woman by promising that he could get a job for her son at the same place.

On September 28, he obtained \$30 from a man, Chang Wah, by saying that he could get him a job at the Talkoo Godown and two days later, he obtained a further sum of \$5 from another woman, Leung Man, by promising her the same.

## Careless Driver

### Fined & Ordered To Pay Compensation

Found guilty on a charge of driving without due care and attention, Ng Kwok-sin, driver of lorry No. 5522, was fined \$30 and ordered to pay \$100 compensation to complainant by Mr Winter at Kowloon this morning.

According to the prosecution, on the afternoon of November 8, Chief Petty Officer Robert P. Johnson of HMS Tamar was driving private car 3554 along Prince Edward Road towards the Kai Tak airport when at the roundabout of Boundary Street, defendant's lorry was in a position ahead of him. The lorry then turned right and mounted the curb of an island at the road and complainant had to stop his car to avoid a collision.

When complainant was about to start running his car again the lorry reversed and hit the car on the off-side causing damage amounting to \$240.90.

The Chief Petty Officer said that the car had been used for five days.

Insp. J. Hill prosecuted.

### Lighter Anchored Improperly

A fine of \$30 was imposed on Chung Shui, caretaker of steel lighter No. 619V, by Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning for anchoring his lighter at a distance less than 100 yards from the low water mark at the northern entrance of Yau-mai Typhoon Shelter on Thursday night.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

## Post Mortem On Stabbed Man

Police investigations are continuing into the stabbing incident in the Cheong Shan Club, 35 Yu On Terrace, West Point, yesterday when a waiter employed in the Club was attacked and fatally injured.

The incident occurred shortly after 5 p.m. and members in the Club premises at the time were startled when the victim, Fung On, 34, staggered into the room from the kitchen with blood streaming from a wound in his chest, and then collapsed.

A post-mortem to determine the cause of death was carried out on the body of the deceased in the Victoria Public Mortuary this morning.

Det-Sub-Ins. N. Gale is in charge of enquiries.

## Old Man Knocked Down

### Suffers Fractured Left Leg

An 82-year-old man, Chan Pak-chuen, suffered a suspected fracture of the left leg and head injuries shortly after 8 o'clock this morning when he was knocked down by a motor cycle driven by R.P. Pronk in Queen's Road East near the Grand Theatre.

The old man, who lives at 2 Fung Wong Terrace, ground floor, Wanchai, was carrying his grandchild on his shoulder when the accident occurred. They were both thrown to the ground, but the child fortunately escaped injury.

An ambulance took Chan to Queen Mary Hospital, where he was detained for treatment. About 8.40 this morning, a Royal Navy bus, No. 821, was passing the Southern Play-ground when a football was kicked out of the ground and struck one of the windows of the bus, splintering the glass.

Among those travelling in the bus was eight-year-old Caroline Adams, of 20 Kin Wah Street, ground floor. She was cut on the left side of the face by flying glass, but was not seriously hurt.

## "Dead Drunk" Admits Parsee

"Dead drunk" was the excuse given by a 32-year-old Parsee, R. H. Karbarana, of 27 Jordan Road, when he appeared before Mr d'Almada at Kowloon this morning to answer a charge of assaulting a 22-year-old Chinese girl in a taxi in Nathan Road at 1 a.m. today.

Karbarana told the Magistrate that he did not mean it, and had apologised to the girl. The complainant, Yu Pui-ling, an attractive-looking girl, dressed in black, bore cuts on the lip, forehead, arms and hands. She informed the Court she did not want compensation. Mr d'Almada cautioned Karbarana, and added that he hoped defendant would make amends to the girl as she had received compensation from the Court.

# Revenue Continues To Come Rolling In

## Top Red Takes Off For Moscow



M. Maurice Thorez, leading French Communist, is seen here being carried into Vyshinsky's personal plane in Paris, by which means he was flown to Moscow for special treatment for "congestion of the brain." This week the Russians complained that Thorez's aircraft had been "buzzed" by an American jet plane over Berlin. — AP Picture.

## Will Probably Exceed Estimates By \$80 Million

Revenue and expenditure figures for the first four months of the current financial year are published in today's Gazette and disclose that by July 31 \$95,381,303 of the estimated total revenue for the year of \$204,139,480 had been raised.

This gives an average monthly revenue of a fraction under \$24 million, which, if it has been maintained to date and continues to come in until next March will give the exchequer a surplus of around \$80 million in excess of the estimates for the year.

The surplus of revenue over expenditure for July was \$12,422,966, bringing the general revenue balance as at July 31 up to \$187,042,792.

Revenue for the month of July was \$31,248,103. Internal Revenue during the month brought in \$10,168,809.02 and Duties amounted to \$5,352,413.04. Fees for Court or office totalled \$4,074,440.71.

Total expenditure in July was \$18,925,100.91, the actual expenditure to July 31 being \$62,491,953.85. The estimated expenditure for 1950/51 is \$200,639,093. If this expenditure is maintained there will be a saving of approximately \$20,000,000 for the year.

Main expenditure in July was Miscellaneous services which absorbed \$3,070,605.20; Public Debt \$2,509,380.00; and Subventions \$2,505,488.92. A total of \$2,169,404.83 was expended on Public Works non-recurrent, \$1,460,932.90 on the Police Force, and \$991,231.93 on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

## Illegally Used Outboard Motor

For being under way equipped with mechanical means of propulsion without a certificate of coxswain and a certificated engineer, Fung Ying-kai, 32, master of fishing boat No. 3920 was fined \$100 by Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning.

According to the Prosecution, defendant's boat was observed by Lieutenant A. J. Miller, RN, cruising north of Sokei Island at 11.45 a.m. on November 16, who was on patrol duty in that area. When intercepted by Navy launch, M/L 3518, defendant had already stopped his engine. It was discovered that there was neither a coxswain nor an engineer on the boat.

Defendant, pleading guilty, said that he used the outboard motor only in Chinese waters and as soon as the boat was in Hongkong territorial waters, the engine was switched off.

## COLLEGE DEBATE

Pupils of Wah Yan College, Robinson Road, and the Sacred Heart (Girls) School, Caine Road, will be holding a debate at Wah Yan College tomorrow at 7 p.m.

## Ambulance Brigade Orders

Orders by Comm. A. el Arcuelli, C. St. J., Hongkong District, Dated Friday, Nov. 17, Order No. 40/50.

Ambulance Duties Hongkong—10.1.50 to 25.11.50, H.K.Y.M.C.A. Division, 25.11.50 to 2.12.50, South China Division.

Western District, 2.12.50 to 2.12.50, South China Division.

Football Match Duties—Sat. Nov. 18, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. H.K.Y.M.C.A. Division, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Boundary Street, Mong Kok Division. Sun. Nov. 19, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. H.K.Y.M.C.A. Division, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Boundary Street, Mong Kok Division.

Penetration Squad Duties—Sun. Nov. 19, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. H.K.Y.M.C.A. Division, 2.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Boundary Street, Mong Kok Division.

Members Mess—A free cinema show will be held for members and friends of the Brigade on Sat. Nov. 18. The programme will be as follows: 1. Slipping along with Television. 2. Look and Listen. 3. The Great Escape. 4. The Great Escape. 5. The Great Escape. 6. The Great Escape. 7. The Great Escape. 8. The Great Escape. 9. The Great Escape. 10. The Great Escape. 11. The Great Escape. 12. The Great Escape. 13. The Great Escape. 14. The Great Escape. 15. The Great Escape. 16. The Great Escape. 17. The Great Escape. 18. The Great Escape. 19. The Great Escape. 20. The Great Escape. 21. The Great Escape. 22. The Great Escape. 23. The Great Escape. 24. The Great Escape. 25. The Great Escape. 26. The Great Escape. 27. The Great Escape. 28. The Great Escape. 29. The Great Escape. 30. The Great Escape. 31. The Great Escape. 32. The Great Escape. 33. The Great Escape. 34. The Great Escape. 35. The Great Escape. 36. The Great Escape. 37. The Great Escape. 38. The Great Escape. 39. 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